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(U) Gilroy - Victim Identified in Weekend Shooting at Gilroy City Councilwoman's House

(U) An 18-year-old man was identified Monday as the person killed when gunfire erupted during a party at the home of Gilroy City Councilwoman Rebeca Armendariz, leaving three other teens wounded and sending partygoers fleeing. Michael Daniel Zuniga-Macias was fatally shot just before 1 a.m. on Saturday at Armendariz's house in the 400 block of Las Animas Avenue in Gilroy, according to the Gilroy Police Department. Two injured victims remained in the hospital Monday; another has since been released. The man arrested in connection with the shooting, Benjamin David Calderon, 19, is Armendariz's cousin's son, according to the councilwoman's brother, Reymundo Armendariz.

SOURCE: 2 November 2021, Mercury News

(U) Long Beach – Army Veteran Sentenced to 25-Years in Prison for Long Beach Terrorist Plot

(U) A US Army veteran from Reseda was sentenced Monday to 25-years in prison for plotting to set off a bomb at a Long Beach political rally in a thwarted terrorist attack. US District Judge Stephen V. Wilson rejected prosecutors' request for a penalty of life-in-prison for Mark Steven Domingo, 28, who was convicted at his trial in August 2020 for attempted use of a weapon of mass destruction and providing material support to foreign terrorists. Prosecutors told Wilson that Domingo wanted the aborted April 2019 bombing to avenge the killing of 51 people at mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand "and to stoke terror, chaos, and civil unrest that would weaken the United States and help the Islamic State of Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS) and other Jihadist groups spread."

SOURCE: 2 November 2021, LA Times

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(U) Florida – Federal Court Orders Tampa Pharmacy Closed for Alleged Unlawful Opioid Distribution

(U) Tampa – A federal court in Florida ordered a Tampa-area pharmacy shut down and prohibited two of its employees from ever owning, managing, or operating any business where controlled substances are dispensed. The court enjoined WeCare Pharmacy, its pharmacist owner Qingping Zhang, pharmacy technician Li Yang and a related corporate entity, L&Y Holdings LLC from the distribution of pharmaceuticals. The order also requires the permanent closure and dissolution of WeCare Pharmacy. The court alleges that the defendants repeatedly dispensed opioids in violation of the Controlled Substances Act. The complaint alleged that over a period of several years, the defendants dispensed highly addictive and highly abused prescription opioids while ignoring "red flags," obvious indications of drug diversion and drug-seeking behavior.

SOURCE: 2 November 2021, DOJ

(U) Ohio – Man Pleads Guilty to Providing Support to ISIS

(U) Beavercreek – A man pleaded guilty Friday to attempting to help a terrorist organization, namely ISIS. According to court documents, Naser Almadaoji, 22, an Iraqi-born US citizen of Beavercreek, purchased a plane ticket for travel on 24 October 2018, and was arrested at John Glenn International Airport after checking in and obtaining his boarding pass. Investigators say Almadaoji was attempting to

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travel to Kazakhstan where he planned to be smuggled into Afghanistan so that he could join and receive military training from the Afghan affiliate ISIS-K. Almadaoji explained to a person he believed to be an ISIS supporter that he wanted "weapons expert's training, planning and executing hit and run, capturing high travel targets, ways to break into homes and avoid security guards. That type of training," he said.

SOURCE: 2 November 2021, WKBN

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(U) Afghanistan - Blasts and Clashes at Military Hospital in Kabul Kills 20 People

(U) Kabul – Two suicide blasts and gunfire erupted Tuesday at the main military hospital in the Afghan capital, in an attack that killed at least 20 people and injured dozens more, a doctor and a Taliban official said. The doctor at Sardar Mohammad Daud Khan military hospital, Habib Rahman stated at least 20 were killed and more than 37 wounded, but added he expected the toll to rise because the first explosion at the entrance also hit many people. A local Taliban commander said clashes broke out as gunmen moved inside the hospital where two blasts struck. Another doctor also said he heard gunfire. Both spoke on the condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to talk to the media. SOURCE: 2 November 2021, Washington Post

(U) Burkina Faso – Armed Men Kill 10 Civilians

(U) Ten people were killed in an attack in northern Burkina Faso on Monday morning, and four others were missing, a government source and a security source said. Unidentified armed men attacked the group of civilians as they were driving their carts to market in the town of Markoye, in Burkina Faso's Sahel reserve, the sources said. The area, which borders Mali and Niger, is overrun by Islamist militants who wage frequent attacks despite the presence of a regional counterterrorism force and French troops. Burkina Faso on Monday marked the 61st anniversary of its army with a ceremony focused on the fight against terrorism. "We will get through it together, or not at all," said President Roch Kabore in remarks to journalists. Islamist attacks have surged across Africa's Sahel region, killing thousands and driving millions from their homes in Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger.

SOURCE: 2 November 2021, Reuters

(U) Ethiopia – Ethiopia Government Says Tigray Forces Killed 100 Youths in Kombolcha

(U) Kombolcha – Ethiopia's government said on Monday rebellious Tigrayan forces had killed 100 youths in Kombolcha, one of two towns the rebel group said it captured over the weekend. "The terrorist group TPLF has summarily executed more than 100 youth residents of Kombolcha in areas it has infiltrated. The international community should not turn a blind eye to such atrocities," the Government Communication Service said. The statement did not include details. Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF) spokesperson Getachew Reda did not immediately respond to media requests seeking comment on this allegation and other issues on Monday morning.

SOURCE: 2 November 2021, Reuters

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